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**GLAD TIDINGS
OF GOOD THINGS**

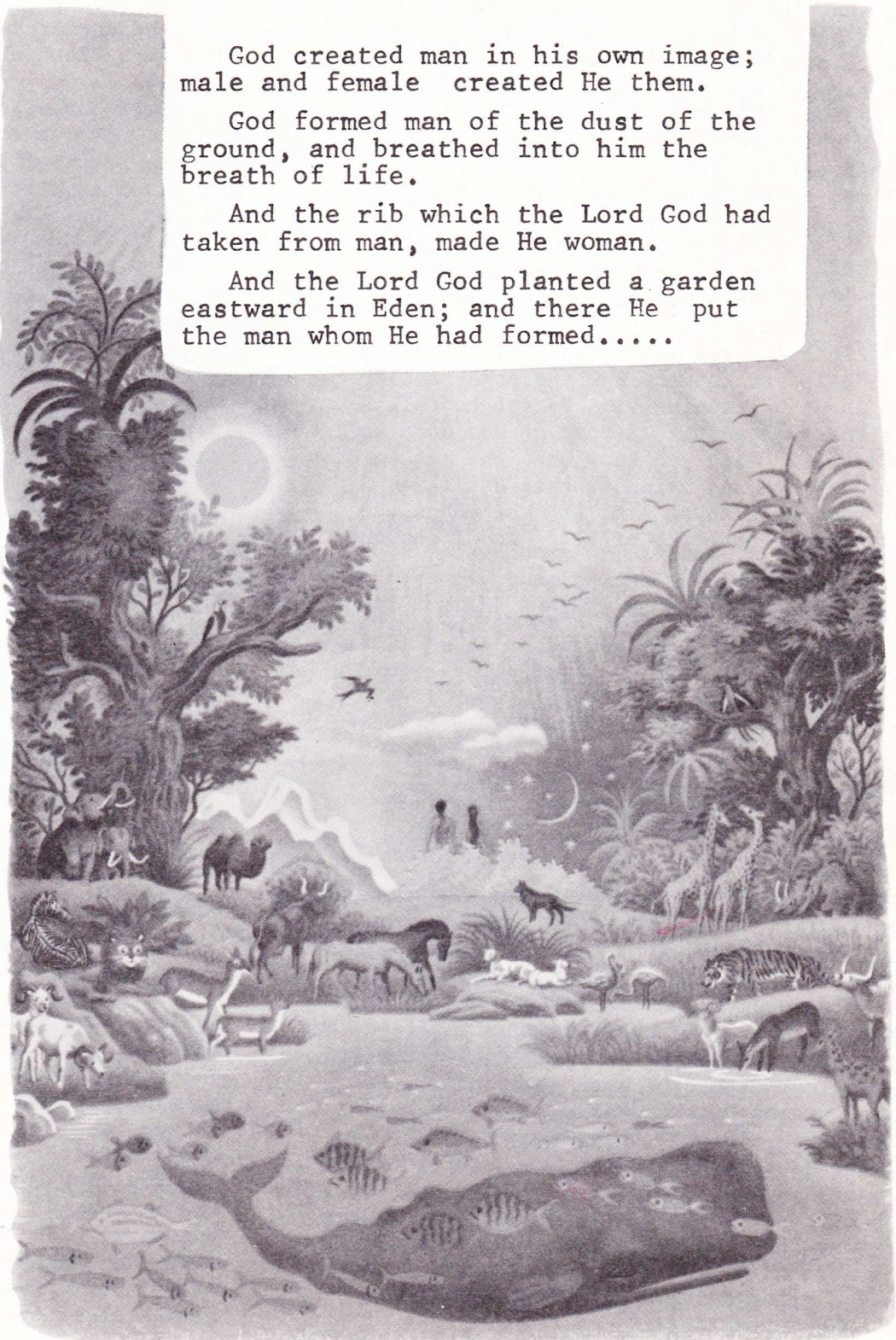
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God created man in his own image;
male and female created He them.

God formed man of the dust of the
ground, and breathed into him the
breath of life.

And the rib which the Lord God had
taken from man, made He woman.

And the Lord God planted a garden
eastward in Eden; and there He put
the man whom He had formed.....



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The sin question answered!

BR. ELTON BRAZIER: (WEST BROW): "The Word of God is going to stand when the world's on fire. *Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my Words shall not pass away.* I'm striving doing everything I know to do to live in a way to get everything that God told me I'd have to have so when I stand before Him, His Word won't read against me. If it does, I am ruined.

And if God's Word read against me now, I'm a ruined man. But there's a way, glory to God, that the Word of God will hold you up.

I'd hate to have a religion that I just have to pick over here and pick there, and be very careful where I opened up the Word of God because it'd tear down what I had. Do you know brethern, there are people going thru life like that.

I was eating dinner and listening to Paul Harvey. Then there was a preacher come on, and of course he was right the opposite of what I am. All this that I've got has gone down. You don't get it no more according to him, you know.

I kinda enjoyed listen to him. Sometimes it'll help you to know how the other feller come about believeing... He got to talking over there *Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin.* And you know what the man said. "Now brethern and friends, this don't mean that you don't never sin, it just means you don't make a practice of it. And I thought, "Well I'll declare!"

Brethern, listen. That's just exactly what it did mean. He that *born of God doth not commit sin!* I'm just gonna leave it like that, because if I go to twisting it around so that I can sin a little bit, when I get to the judgement bar of God, the Lord aint going to let me in. *Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin. He commiteth sin is of the devil.* That's real simple aint it??? Well why don't we just leave it like that? If we would, God would help a whole lot of folks."

There were false prophets among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. And this is what hurts; And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the Way of Truth shall be evil spoken of.

Now brethern, this was wrote about 2000 years ago. The man that was writing it, he walked and talked with the Lord. His natural eyes beheld the Lord, our redeemer. The Lord took him up on a mountain and was transfigured there before him. And God spoke from heaven: "This is my beloved son, here ye Him!" Peter said, "That voice that spoke that day we heard it!"

Now this is the man that's writing this. Back in them days the Church was troubled. These old watchdogs, they could see things a coming in. Oh brethern, they'll be men rise up. They'll be false teachers come along and many shall follow their pernicious ways. If it hadn't happened, they wouldn't be a church on every corner. They say, "Come follow us and we'll take you home to glory." Right over across the corner there is somebody saying, "No! Them people are wrong. Come go with us and we'll lead you to heaven."

Right down the street there is another one. They say. "Both of them are wrong, but we're right!"

I heard about three preachers on a four way stop street corner, running their own services. One was singing, Will There be Any Stars In MY Crown. This one over here was singing, No Not One, and the other one was singing, That'll Be Glory For Me.

Brethern, you can see the truth in Peter's words. *And thru covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of You.* No, they don't care nothing about you. Interested more in your pocketbook What they can get out of you. They are not interested in your soul.

With feigned words... That's something that aint what it appears to be. It's a pretense. *With feigned words make merchandise of YOU.*

I'm here to tell you, it's your soul that's at stake. *Whose judgement now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not. For IF GOD SPARED NOT THE ANGELS THAT SINNED.* Now we are getting down to the true Way, brethern. *If God spared not the angels that sinned but cast them down to hell and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgement. And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eight person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of ungodly; And turning the cities of Sodom and Gommorrha into ashes condemned them with an overthrow, MAKING THEM AND ENSAMPLE UNTO THOSE THAT AFTER SHOULD LIVE UN GODLY:*


We're living in a world today where everything under the sun is going under the banner of religion. I tell you, there aint nobody but the pure in heart that's going thru them pearly gates. There aint nobody that aint under the blood that's going to see inside them pearly gates.

Now let's go back. Here we are before the world began. That's a long way back aint it? Did you know that the devils home at one time was in heaven? One of the brightest angels, but he rose up in his mind and said, "I'll be like the Most High." He rose against God in heaven and drew the third part of the stars of heaven after him. And God cast him out, and

all his angels with him.

Now that's the place we're trying to get to. That's where sin started, and God wouldn't have it to begin with. If you can go to heaven and sin, Satan would've never had to leave. Why did he get cast out? Because of sin.

Alright, now we are going to stop at the garden of Eden. The Lord made a pretty garden and made man out of the dust of the ground and breath the breath of life into him, God looked at what He had made and said, "Behold, it is very good." Man had turned his hand to nothing that God had told him not to. God saw it wasn't good for man to be alone and caused a deep sleep to fall upon him, and took a rib out of his side and created Eve, and gave her to Adam for a help meet.



LOOK, ADAM, HOW THE LITTLE BIRD COMES WHEN I CALL.

GOD IS GOOD TO US, EVE. HE HAS GIVEN US EVERYTHING.

They lived in that beautiful garden where everything was lovely. The Lord told them, "Now Adam, here is this garden, full of these good fruit, and these good things to eat. You just make yourself to home in it. Enjoy your selves. But there is a tree over yonder, don't you (Eat of it) because the day you do you shall surely die."

Now the last account we had of Satan, he was cast out of heaven, him and his angels. The next place he turns up is over there in that beautiful garden place, called Eden.

There comes Eve and ran into him in the form of a serpent. He got to talking to her, and she told him what God had said, that we can't eat of that tree. In the day we do, we shall surely die. Satan said, "You shall not surely die." Just lied to her, and made that woman believe him in spite of a direct command from God. God said, "You shall surely die." Satan said, "You won't surely die, God knows that when you eat of it, your eyes will become opened and you'll be like God." He built up a pretty picture for her. She reached her hand out and plucked one and ate it. And oh brethern, the reason you are in

the mess you are in tonight... sin entered into the world.

It wasn't allowed in heaven, but it entered into that beautiful place on earth that God had made.

After awhile, in the cool of the day, here comes God, walking down thru the garden and called to Adam. But their eyes were made open, and saw that they were naked. They sewed together and covered their nakedness and hid themselves. Their conscience had them condemned. When God came calling them, they hid from the face of the Lord.

He saw what they had done, and what had happened. He cast them out of the garden. Anything God had made, aint going to be defiled with sin.

Alright, lets go a little further. We are going to the days of Noah, bless God, and you know what happened. Wickedness, sin was so great in the land. Do you suppose that God winked at it and said, "Well, I know that they are just flesh and blood, and everybody needs to do their own thing..." No! He remembered man, the way He made them in the beginging, when He looked on him and said it was good, and looked on them in the days of Noah and repented that He ever made man. He had got is such a mess. How??? By Sin!!!

Because sin was so great in the world, God purposed to just wipe out His creation, but Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord. The eighteth person, a preacher of righteousness, trying to do the right thing.

God looked down on all that wickedness and His eyes saw that man Noah and purposed in His heart that He would preserve seed thru that righteous man.

Can't you see the verdict and judgement sin is getting down since creation of the world.

And God destroyed the world in the days of Noah... He done it because of sin.



Alright, let's go just a little further. Sodom and Gomorrha! Oh the wickedness of that place was so great that God couldn't stand it no longer and He overthrew it, after he brought that righteous man, Lot, out of it. Glory to God! The bible says that Lot, his righteous soul was vex from day to day, as he lived among all that wickedness. He loved God and tried to serve Him, and when the day of destruction came, God remembered him.

The spirit that prevaded Sodom and Gomorrha

is running rampant in the land today. I'm going to be plain with you, bless God, because we are living in a day that we can't hint, sort of lead your mind and let you figure it out for yourself. They were full of homosexuals. And you look in the land today, it's filled. They say, "We're coming out of the closet." And they are doing it. They are parading in the streets, lobbying... They are saying, "It's our life style. There is nothing wrong with it. We got as much right to ours as you have yours." And our young generation is coming up to look upon it with tolerance, brethren. But I want you to know that God wouldn't have it in the beginning, and He won't have it now.

I heard a man say, "If God don't destroy the



world pretty soon, He's gonna have to apologize to Sodom and Gomorrha."

You can rest assured, it aint gonna go on much longer.

Wickedness is overflowing the land. When I think about it in my soul, I say "Lord, how long are you going to let it go before you step out..." There's something that tells me, "Son don't worry, just go on a little longer. There is a day that I've got appointed. When that day comes, the end will appear. But go your way, live for me. Keep your hands from the unrighteous thing, and in the last day it will be well with your soul."

In the beginning sin originated in heaven. God wouldn't have it there. All the way down from the garden of Eden, to Noah, to Sodom and Gomorrha, God came with the same verdict every time. He said He made them and ensample to all them that after should live ungodly. Read the bible! It's just as plain as the nose on your face. If you don't get out of sin, you are going to perish!

I represent the Way of Holiness and everyone who is in the Way. I want to ask you a question. Satan introduced sin into heaven, and God wouldn't have it, and cast everyone out that was guilty. He cleansed it. Now, IS IT REASONABLE TO SUPPOSE THAT WHEN YOU DIE WITH SIN ON YOUR SOUL, THAT YOU ARE GOING TO TAKE IT BACK TO HEAVEN??? No it aint! It's real plain aint it???"

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Past experience should be a guide post, not a hitching post.

Br. David Wright's son hurt his foot, They kept it bandaged. They had to go to court over it, because they were trusting God. The judge had it taken to a doctor where they X-Rayed it and said that it had been fractured but it was healed alright.

The day before, the boy's grand-ma, Sis Ivalene had tried to get the child to put his down and walk on it. but it couldn't. But at the doctors he did.

They tried to get Br. David to hire a lawyer, but he wouldn't, he had done no wrong. They told him that here was a lawyer, just pay him, but he wouldn't. The lawyer said that he was going to represent him anyway. The judge told him to raise his hand and swear. The lawyer told the judge that didn't believe in doing that. The judge said, "Well just raise your hand. The lawyer said that he didn't do that either.

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Br. Jr Fergerson who cuts timber, was in the woods in late August, when he had an accident where a tree fell on him, crushing him badly. They thought his back was broke and it probably was.

He had to be taken care of like a baby. Sis. Ada Barrier told him she was looking for him at the revival at OLD SARDIS the following week. He was there too. The hands went on him and he was up "Shouting."

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Br. James Turner telling how farming is not like it used to be. It is expensive... They kept having drought. They really needed a rain. It come to him to go to the closet to pray. He knew the closet wouldn't do any good, but what he could get from God. He went and prayed. Didn't seem to do any good. He went again. Same thing. But he kept going and they weren't giving out that it was going to rain, but the next night it did.

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BR. JAMES A MCLAIN: "...reading the bible, they read it like a story book. They do not try to discern. Get in the Spirit of God and let Him unravel it for you.

I seen an ad this morning. "I will shew you a better Way." No... then they hand him a new bible and it said, "I show unto you..." He said, "Oh, oh... I understand that." He would've understood the other if you got in the Spirit. You'd better not change them Words. Get in the Spirit and He'll reveal them to you.

People say they don't understand this and they don't understand that. Get your bible and read it all the time."

"Br. Paul Gufey at TIFTONIA was preaching old time holiness. Reading; *"Wives submit yourselves unto you own husbands, as unto the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church; and He is saviour of the body. Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ. so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything. Husband love your wives even as Christ also loved the church.."*

He was saying about wives being in subject-ion, and telling how most husbands are, "hen-pecked." They can't go to the store without when they get back their wives is on them, "Where you been? What took you so long?"

He was telling the husband they were supposed to love their wives as hisself. He said, "You men wouldn't hit your thumb with a hammer, would you? It would hurt." So love your wife the same way.

Reading: *Children obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right. Honour thy father and mother; which is the first commandment with promise...* " He went on to tell about the time when he was 3 years old and his daddy died. He overheard his mother telling some sister, "I feel sorry for Paul, he being young and no daddy." So he thought he could get away with things.

One day his mom told him to hand her a piece of wood. He said, "I aint gonna do it." She said, "Oh yes you are!" And told his older sister to go get a switch, and if you don't get a good one, I'll use it on you" She got a good one, and his mom tore him up with it. He obeyed her then."

A few years ago it didn't seem possible to most that things in America could sink so low. Concerning children, we are commanded of God to raise them in the FEAR and ADMONITION of the Lord. And He told us how to do it. In love and with a rod. There is no doubt in anyones mind who loves the Lord that this is so.

The humanistic society that has prevailed in much of the world, and that is fostered by Satan, has tried to stop the rod, or spanking, whipping, beating or whatever you want to call it. Years back, Sweden passed a law against whipping a child. In this country, the awful child abuse situation has raised it's ugly head and many are rising up against it, and rightly so. Children should be protected from the many vile ways that they are mistreated and hurt by wicked people, but as in most just causes, thru over-zealousness it has spilled over into the parent/ God domain. And that is raising the child up in the Way that you would have him go and using the hickory withe when the Lord says it's necessary.

It looks like we are going to have the same law as Sweden in just a short time, and some act like they are already in affect. God-fearing people are having to suffer to raise the child right. Their is no law or opposition to raising them wrong of course. To today society to have a child on drugs and one that lies steals and cheats is just normal to them.

Parents, don't slack back. Do what the Lord said do. Do what the Lord said do. Some will be persecuted, and are already, others will be jailed, and what else faces us, the Lord knows, but whatever it is, let us close ranks as one and face it together, and not apart.

Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him.

Withold not correction from a child: for if thou beatest him with a rod, he shall not die.

The rod and reproof giveth wisdom: but a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame

Correct thy son and he shall give thee rest.

A Rod is for the back of them that are void of understanding.

He that spareth his rod hateth his son: But he that loveth him chasteneth him be-times.

Thou shalt beat him with a rod and deliver his soul from hell.

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Br. Mike and Sis Pam Whitley are thanking the Lord for protecting their baby, LaShay, when a bottle of Sprite exploded in the back seat where she was at. Glass was everywhere, even on her face and in her hair, but narry a cut or scratch on the child.

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Br. Lee Turner of SAND MTN has loved God for over 50 years. He likes to get to church early. He likes to try to testify every time too. He can't read, but he knows when The Lord and when his Word is preached and when it's not.

A while back, he had what he thought was an heart attack. After calling a few of the saints in to pray for him, someone laid there hands on him and that was the end of that.

BR. JOHNNIE WEST: "I knew there was a God. I had seen him heal my mother a lots of times. I'd seen Him do this and that as I was growing up, since I was a little child. But I had never felt the power of God.

I had got up in years, and my mother and daddy done passed away. I was out doing the way I wanted to do. I wasn't even looking toward the Lord. Me and my wife used to spend everything we made, trying to have a good time. I've been from North Carolina to California, to Illinois, down to Florida, just a running here and there. Wouldn't miss a days work, trying to plan, "Where am I going on vacation next year. You know, where I can really enjoy myself..

One day I made up my mind, "Surely to goodness, there's more to life than this. I started searching. There was a little thought came to me. It was the best one I ever followed. I believe it was the Lord. It said, "Why don't you go to church." And I thought, "I believe that's what I'll do." Hadn't been in church in ten years, I don't guess.

I was living in Huntsville at that time. "I will go out there to Cumberland Mtn where I was raised up, cause I knew them was good people out there."

I went out there and sit down in the back of the church house and something got ahold of me. That old hard heart that I had just seemed like it melted down. I got to where I couldn't even hold my head up. Something was happening to me. After awhile I caught myself, and I was a praying. Nobody knew it, but I was setting back there and my heart was crying out, saying, "Lord, if you'll give me that Holy Ghost, you let one of your children come back here and lay hands on me." I had never heard anybody say that in my life. Somebody come from somewhere and laid hands on me and there was something happen to me. I started praying and I couldn't hardly wait until they gave altar call.

I had seen the Lord do all them things and I knew there was a God somewhere but I had never felt him. They gave a chance to pray, and I started up to the altar and seemed like my mind left me. When I came to, the power of God was all over me. I knew I was in touch with the Lord. I knew He was hearing me.

There I was. The God that had created the whole heaven and earth... *By Him all things consist.* And I had His attention. Oh, I'll never forget that night. I'd lived a rough life. I'd been mean. I didn't say, "Lord I didn't do this." I didn't think I was a good boy. I just got it all together, and I brought it up there that night. I said, "Lord, I own up to every bit of this. I done it, and

I aint trying to get out of it. But if you can see any way, I wished you'd forgive me? When I come to myself and that power was on me, He had already forgive me. I thought I had been so mean He wouldn't hear me. I thought it would take a year or two. I was going to show Him that I was going to live right. When that power come on me, I felt better then I'd ever felt in my life.

I got up and went out of the church house. Br. Clarence Williams standing outside. He said, "Son, you made a good start." I thought, "Old man, if you think that's a start, wait'll you see me the next time." I meant I was going home and I was going to pray. I'm going to pray tonight. I'm going to pray tomorrow. I'm going to pray next week....

My wife had never seen me get on my knees. She was raised in a denomination and we would not even talk about it. That night, I prayed the whole time I was awake. Boy, I had a real big prayer, "Lord, just help me! Lord, just help me!" I said it thousands of times in my heart. "Lord just help me!" There's difference in a prayer that comes from the mouth and one comes from the heart.

I prayed that day. That night, thought come to me, "Go over on Beirnes Ave and go to church. So I went over there. Stood outside. I just knowed a few of them from years ago. I was standing out there on that street and I felt like the whole world was again me. I didn't have friend. I come in and set down in the back of the house. They got to having meeting. Br. Oakley got up, and you know how he'd do. He came back there towrd me, and I got plumb down. But you know, God was looking at me.

I'd prayed so much I was hoarse. My voice was just squealing. I'd never been that way before, and I was wanting a drink so bad I could hardly stand it. Thought come to me, "Why don't you get up and go get you a drink?" I didn't move. I was afraid they would give altar call while I was gone. It wouldn't have taken fifteen seconds, but I was afraid they would give altar call and I wanted to make sure I was there when they gave it.

They gave altar call and I felt the same thing I felt the night before. I prayed there a minute and a little thought hit my mind that I was gonna rec' the Holy Ghost. I just followed that up. In a few minutes I thought "I believe I am rec' it. I believe God is gonna give it to me." In a minute I started speaking in tongues

Oh, I felt better than I'd ever felt in my life. There was something in me missing all my life. That night I found it and I aint never look no more."

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If anyone speaks evil of you, so live that none will believe it.

...and he loved her.

And Sarah was an hundred and seven and twenty years old. And she died. Abraham buried Sarah his wife in the cave of the field of Machpelah before Mamre.

Abraham was old.. and said unto his eldest servant..."Put thy hand under my thigh and I will make thee swear by the Lord, the God of heaven, and the God of earth, that thou shalt not take a wife unto my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I dwell. But thou shalt go to my country, and to my kindred, and take a wife unto my son Isaac."

And the servant said "Preadventure the woman will not be willing to follow me into this land: must I needs bring thy son again unto the land from whence thou camest?" Abraham said,..."Beware that thou bring not my son thither again. The Lord God of heaven which took me from my father's house, and from the land of my kindred, and which spake unto me, and that aware unto me, saying "Unto thy seed will I give this land;" He shall send His angel before thee, and thou shalt take a wife unto my son from thence."

And the servant swear... and took ten camels... and departed; ... and went to Mesopotamia, unto the city of Nahor.

He made his camels to kneel down without the city by a well of water at the time of evening, the time that women go out to draw water. He said, "O Lord God of my masters Abraham, I pray thee, send me good speed this day and shew kindness unto my mater Abraham. Behold, I stand here by the well of water,... let it come to pass, that the damsel to whom I shall say, "Let down thy pitcher, I pray thee, that I may drink;" and she shall say "Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also:" let the same be she that thou hast appointed for thy servant Isaac. and thereby shall I know that thou hast shewed kindness unto my master."



And it came to pass, before he had done speaking, behold Rebekah came out, who was born to Bethul, son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother, with her pitcher upon her shoulder.

She hastened and emptied her pitcher into the trough, and ran again unto the well to draw water, for all his camels.

He wondering held his peace.

As the camels had done drinking, the man (Gaveher) gave a golden earring... and two bracelets for her hands.... And said, "Whose daughter are you? ... Is there room in thy father's house for us to lodge in?"

She said, "I am the daughter of Betuel... We have both straw and provender enough, and room to lodge in."

The man bowed his head and worshipped the Lord. He said, "Blessed be the Lord God of my master Abraham, who hath not left destitute my master of His mercy and His truth: I being in the way, the Lord led me to the house of my masters brethren."

The damsel ran, and told her mother's house these things. Rebekah had a brother, name Laban: Laban ran out... unto the well. When he saw the earring and bracelets... and ... heard the words of Rebekah... that he came unto the man who stood by the camels. He said, "Come thou blessed of the Lord; wherefore standest thou without? for I have prepared the house, and room for the camels."

The man came into the house, and gave water for his feet, and the men's feet that were with him.

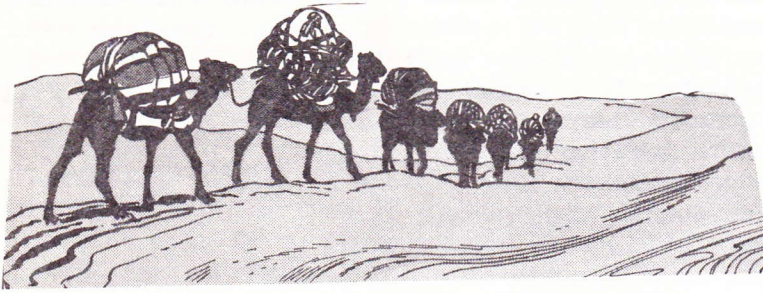
And there was meat set before him to eat; but he said, "I will not eat, until I have told my errand." And he said, "Speak on."

(He then related all the story, ending with "The Lord God which led me in the right way to take my master's brother's daughter unto his son. Now if thou wilt deal kindly and truly with my master, tell me: and if not tell me; that I may turn to the right hand or to the left.")

Then Bethuel and Laban answered: The thing proceedeth from the Lord: we cannot speak unto thee bad or good. Behold Rebekah is before thee, take her and go, and let her be thy master's son's wife, as the Lord has spoken.

When Abraham's servant heard, he bowed himself to the earth. And brought forth jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment, and gave them to Rebekah: he gave also her brother and her mother precious things. And they did eat and drink, and tarried all night; and arose in the morning, saying, "Send me away to my master." Her mother and brother said, "Let the damsel abide with us a few days, at least ten; after that she shall go." And he said, "Hinder me not, seeing the Lord hath prospered my way; send me away that I may go to my master." They said, "We'll call the damsel, and enquire at her mouth." They said unto her, "Wilt thou go with this man?" And she said, "I will go."

And they sent her away, their sister, and her nurse, and Abraham's servant, and his men. And they blessed Rebekah, and said, "Thou art our sister, be thou the mother of thousands of millions, and let thy seed possess the gate of those which hate them." And Rebekah arose and they rode upon the camels and followed the man.



And Isaac came from the way of the well Lahairoi, for he dwelt in the south country.

And Rebekah lifted up her eyes, and saw Isaac, she lighted off the camel. For she had said unto the servant, "What man is this that walketh in the fields to meet us?" The servant had said, "It is my master:" Therefore she took a vail, and covered herself.

And the servant told Isaac all things that were done.

And Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent, (Sarah had died) and took Rebekah and she became his wife: and he loved her: and Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

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Br. Buford Trotman: "...to Titus mine own son after the common faith. Now I want you to think about the common faith. Common means something that is obtainable by all. It is simple enough that we can all get into it. Something uncommon is something we aint used to. But this common salvation everybody can come and get the Holy Ghost. The ones that were following Jesus around, ... they were poor people. They were fishermen weren't they? They were just real poor people. There were several sisters there that He casted the devil out of them. What kinda people were we? We were just ole poor common people, weren't we? And we got into this good common Way. Thank God!

Later on in years, things have happened that's uncommon in the The Way of Holiness. But there is still a common Way that we can live and love and walk and be in.

There's a brother who asked me, "What about me buying a big car?" I said, "Well, if you can afford it. But.... if it's in line with the Holiness people. Suppose you come driving a big old Cadillac that cost thousands

Abraham sent his servant,
To find his son a wife
One that He would cherish,
Forever at his side.

He found in distant country,
One of beauty rare.
Joyfully he started homeward,
As the son was waiting there.

I can almost hear,
The song they are singing,
As the bride to the son,
They are bringing.
I can almost see the sun arising,
As that caravan of grace,
Comes on the horizon.

For many days the son spent looking,
Toward the fields of distant land,
For that precious possession,
The bridal caravan.

With the bride that's been chosen,
At his side to take her place.
Guided by the father's servant,
In that caravan of grace.

Down thru the ages,
A procession strong and near,
Upon times horizon,
It soon shall appear.
Guided by the Holy Spirit,
It's that old caravan of grace,
With the bride that's been chosen,
At His side to take her place.

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and thousands of dollars up down there with a bunch of people who have these little common cars, wouldn't you be out of place? You would wouldn't you? Suppose you come into a common place where we wear blue-jeans and just common clothes, and you've got a coat and tie, big suit on, wouldn't you be out of place??? Think about it. It would be uncommon to The Way of Holiness. That aint the way we started is it?

Now, I don't believe the clothes is any wrong, but I'm telling you, there is a common Way. And I love it, don't you?

They have parades with the President with them great big cars. You know what Jesus Christ done? He got to parade into the city He was riding on a little mule, Thank God! Could you be much commoner then that? This is a common Way. The Lord loves it, and He loves people that love the common Way.

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You can preach a better sermon with your life than with your lips.

We had a great revival at CLAYSVILLE this time. Br. Paul Warren who led it was a blessing, with God dealing thru him to help revive a church which really needed it. It had been five years since anyone had rec'd the Holy Ghost here.

Br. Paul preached one night about praying in your closet. We thought it was the same just to pray anywhere, as long as you prayed. But we learned the bible says, "*But thou, when you prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut the door, pray to thy Father,*

er, which is in secret, and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly." After this many of us began cleaning out our closets and started praying (a lot more) in them with wonderful results.

The whole church was uplifted. Br. Paul and Sis. Veda Mae came to many of us as strangers, but when they left it was as though two very dear family members were leaving us.

Br. Roger Pendergrass rec'd the Holy Ghost on Sunday night. Br. Lester Bonds followed on Monday night, and then Sis.

Lynda Bonds and Sis. Brooke Sims of ROCKY BRANCH and another new sister from VALERMOSSA SPRINGS Came to the Lord. Five new ones added to the family of God during our revival.

So many brothers and sisters from other churches came and gave us support. We thank God for sending them all to help us.

This is one revival we will never forget.

Br. Roger and Sis. Janice Pendergrass

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Br. Darwin Blackwell of IDER was where they were collecting for someone in need. He knew how much it took for him to go to work and wanted to give just enough that he'd have money for gas, but felt led to give more and did. Told the Lord he'd have to make a way about going to work. He kept watching the gas hand, it just didn't go over like it was suppose to. He kept watching it. It still didn't go over. It was the morning of the day he was to get paid before he had to buy gas.

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It was so very good a day at LOOKOUT MTn on the first Sunday in September. The Word of God was glorified. Br. Buddy Michals was reading and talking on the home being in order. The Man the head under God and the woman in subjection, but all getting along in their proper place. And The Lord blessed Br. Shirley Byrum as he followed in this theme with the same Word of God coming with power. The church was edified thru The Word.

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Br. Tom Kerley: "Listen what was on my heart. *...but his delight is in the law of the Lord.* How many of us has our delight in the law of God? *... We go about, day by day, thinking on everything...and in His law doth he meditate day and night.* Day and night! That's all the time, aint it? We've got to much to do! We don't meditate too much on the Lord. Got to get a little more money. Our lives need to be in this here! (holding up a bible). Do you know what the law is? We suppose to love one another. Not as the world loves, but as God loves us.

How many meditated last night in the law of the Lord? How many yesterday went about with their heart and mind on the Lord? Meditating in the ways of God.

But his delight is in the law of the Lord and in His laws he doth meditate day and night. He shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season.

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The difference between a conviction and a prejudice is you can explain a conviction without getting mad.

Br. Mack Mason was driving home from Indiana in the van when a tire tool flew of the wheel of the truck ahead of them, where it was left after they had their tire changed, going thru their windshield, thru Br. Mack's head, thru the neck of Sis. Brenda (Acklin) and into the chest of his daughter, Sis. Jennifer. It left them all in bad shape, and they feared for the life of Br. Mack. But we are happy to say, they are back in church tho Br. Mack still uses a walker. His daughter is to be married in the spring and he tells you that he means to walk her down the aisle. The saints everywhere were calling on God for these.

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It was good to see Br. Charlie Brown and Br. Elton Brazier working together in The Word of God at SCOTTSBORO on the last day of their September revival. Br. Charlie was exhorting to the compelling the lost to come into the safety of the Lord. Br. Elton was behind and with him as God BLESSED him in reading from the account of Lot as the angels pulled him out of the wicked city and told them to flee the wrath that was coming. It was so sweet on good in the Lord.

The just shall live by faith!

BR. Paul Warren: "We don't live Holiness at the church house. You live it out yonder on the job. Over yonder at your home. Where ever you're at. Down at the grocery store. Wherever you are at, that's where you live Holiness.

This pressed on me while we were praying: *For ye have need of patience... Do you believe that if you had all that you needed that He would've put that in the Word of God. Ye have need of patience that after ye have done the will of God ye might rec' the promise.* Patience, I haven't made it yet. We are going to have to live to the end for the Lord to make it to Glory. *Now the just shall live by Faith.* Children of God, you are nearly to the end of the journey. Some people when they get on faith, say, The faith of the gospel. Read the first four books and see what the faith of the gospel was. *The trying of your faith... You have need of patience... for the just shall live by faith. Let patience have her perfect work. For the just shall live by faith.* And the trying of our faith woketh patience. "What in the world are you getting at?" You know Br. Herman (Womack) here, he don't know it but lots of times I call his name before the Lord. He's got something that you wouldn't want. Don't tell me you would want it, I know better. (He has cancer on the face) But just as sure as he dies in the faith, he'll have a perfect body over yonder. Because He said that *the just shall live by faith.* This old man needs people to come around and encourage him. I've got a sister (also with cancer) and these things get on my heart. Brethern, you think you are having a good time, I'm a telling you when we are out thru the week, we oughta be on our knees a calling on God for people who are in trouble. *The just shall live by faith!!!*

Faith is the substance of things hope for, the evidence of things not seen. We've got to have faith to go to heaven! *The just SHALL live by faith.*

Brethern, let's get down to business about this. Let's get all the foolishness out of it and get serious before the Lord.

Now, somebody says, "Ahh, he aint trusting the Lord. If he would, he'd be healed." You better back up! Somebody will say, "Tell you what I'd do if I were him, I'd go to the doctor." You better keep your mouth shut! I'm on the floor now. Be quiet! Listen to me. *The just shall live by faith.* We're not playing meeting. You don't get out here during the week and live just any way. This brother talking about his mind. He's had the Holy Ghost long enough that mind oughta stay straight a little bit. Our mind ought to stay where God can use it. It oughta be sober before the Lord.

"I tell ya one thing, if Old Stephen's had been trusting the Lord, they wouldn't have killed him" He was trusting the Lord, and if you get to heaven, you'll see him. They killed him and he had a good heart. "Ah, if you're trusting the Lord you don't have nothing to worry about." No he aint. You aint gonna get out of this life without trouble. *Now the just SHALL live by faith.*

"Now Br. Paul, don't get on healing." I'm already on it because that's part of it. "Oh I believe in devine healing." Do you believe in trusting God. "I don't preach to much on devine healing, becaues I know God heals." I preach trusting God. *Trust in the Lord with all thine heart and lean not to thy own understanding.*

For by it (Faith) the elders obtained a good report. Through faith we understand... You say "I wished I knew what faith was?" Go out side and look at all the hills and valleys and trees and flowers. Why are they there? You say, "Why God done that!" That's faith. That's faith. By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the Word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear. By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain....

By Faith Enoch was translated that he sh. not see death; and was not found because God had translated him; Do you know why? He had a testimony that he pleased God. Now listen, by faith all this happened. For before his translation he had this testimony that he pleased God.

But without faith it is impossible to please Him: for he that cometh to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him. You'll say, "That's talking to the world." That is talking to you and me! Must..... Belive... that He is and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him.

Whats diligently: furvently, earnstly, turning every stone, searching for Him on every hand.

By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear. Children of God, have we ever had the fear of God like this? I feel something coming over us, just like Noah did. It's just about over, children of God. The devil is the one that's trying to capture the souls of ALL of God's people. Listen.. Moved with fear, prepared and ark to the saving of his house. ... by faith.

By faith Abraham, ... went out not knowing where he went.

I've thought often about how the Lord told Abraham to take his only son and offer him up. He said take your son up there and offer him as a sacrifice. Abraham loaded up his mule, got everything ready took Isaac with him. Got there and the boy said, 'Here's the wood,

where's the sacrifice." His daddy told him, "Son God will provide." He took that knife to take the boys life, and God thru His angel stayed his hand, ... and looked around and there was a ram... But he went to the last straw. He drew back to take that child's life. And God knew He's take it, and that is as soon as God moved. ... He had to go all the way. Now listen, *The just shall live by faith.* Oh, are we truly living by faith? Are we looking to God for all the needs that we have? "Yes Br. Paul, but when I get sick the Lord gave me sense enough to go to a doctor." Well, you just go ahead, I'll not criticize Nobody.... Somebody run down to the drug store every week because they had to have drugs to live. You know we preach against drugs? Do you know some of the Holiness ministers preach against these boys being on dope? Do you know when you go to the hospital, they dope you up? That they get you on that stuff so strong that they have to with-draw you from it? *Lest I myself be a cast away. Lest when I taught others, I myself be a castaway.*

Let's be careful brethern. You ministering brothers, stay with me, because I'm going to stay with the Word. And we'll help somebody. If there ever was a time that the ministering brothers need to stick together, it's now!

I'm not up here fighting doctors. I want you to know that I believe they do a good job. I'm up here fighting for your and my soul. That when the Lord comes back, we'll have faith in Him.

Listen, *These all died in faith.* Are we going to die in faith. "Ah, if you trust the Lord, you aint gonna die." Bless your heart, everybody... the one living a hundred and fifty years ago died. Are they around now? Any of the apostles arpond now? They all die. Some thing took them out of this life. "You mean they killed the children of God?" Absolutly! They killed them. Something else I believe, I believe if me and Br. Elton stays with the Word of God, you know what our chances are of getting out now without being punished? Like one of these big old buck deer with a rack him about ten points walking by a sharpshooter setting up in a tree. What are his chances of getting by? He just not have been there, right? If we expect were going to escape, we're not.

These all died in faith, not having rec'd the promise. ... were tortured. Some rec'd their dead raised to life...

Now these that's going thru this trouble today, let us do everything we can to encourage them. If you see somebody that wants to trust in God... you get in there with him. If you got something else to recomend to him, don't say it. Not a word. Please don't do it.

By faith Moses when he was come to years refused to be called son of Pharaoh's daughter: Moses was living in a country where Pharaoh had the control, and whatever Pharaoh said, went. Do you really want to go to heaven? If you do, you are going to have to suffer to get there. Oh thank God. You are going to have to live to the place where God can use you in these afflictions and be persecuted. Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season; Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt..."Oh, I tell you, if it wasn't for what people would say about me, I believe I could trust God. If they just wouldn't look down on me..."Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches... for he had respect unto the recompence of the reward....

And what more shall I say - for time would fail me to tell of G'deon, and of Barak, and of Samson, and of Jephthae; of David also, and Samuel, and of the prophets; who thru faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouth of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, waxed valient in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. Women rec'd the dead raised to life again. Wouldnd't you loved to have lived back then? The Lord sure was taking care of his people, wasn't He? Oh, He was. He was taken care of them.

Listen. And others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection.

Now children of God, I know there aint a one in this house, what seems like you went thru everything you can. I know it been rough on you. I know it has. Lot of you have seen your love ones turn back... You have seen your loved ones have to die. A lot of you have had afflictions, so much pain in it. But hasn't God always been there?

And others had trials of cruel mocking and scourging. Now that's beatings, whipped. That aint walking up here and saying, "Boy, I don't like you. Scouring is severly whipped. Others had trials of cruel mocking, scourging, yea, moreover of bonds and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn asunder. This was God's people. Were tempted, were slain with the sword; they wandered about in sheep skins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented. But God was walking by their side. Stephens, when they hit him so hard that his strength left him and he fell to his knees, he looked up and said, "I see Jesus standing on the right hand of the Father. They ran on him and gnashed him with their teeth. ... He said, "Father, hold not this sin to their charge. They don't know what they are doing," and fell asleep. Now don't tell me them rocks didn't

hurt. Don't tell me when they put that crown of thorns on Jesus's head that it didn't hurt. Don't tell me when they blindfolded Jesus and spun him around and slapped and said, "Prophecy now. Tell us who hit you? Don't tell me that didn't hurt. He was flesh and blood... You reckon why Jesus went thru all that??.? It ought to help us.

Of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts, and in mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. And these all having obtained a good report thru faith.... They still had faith.

Now faith, you don't just reach out and get it. The life that you are living day by day and the trust you have in God's children. The trust you have in the salvation that God gave you, and the confidence you've got in what He said He would do, causes the faith to be there the time you need it....

Wherefore seeing we are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight and the sin that does so easily beset us, and let us run the race with patience that is set before us. In other words, you're going to have to go thru it. To get there, you are going to have to go thru it, and may God help you.

I've had the Holy Ghost over 30 years and I know just a little bit. And I know that today things are a little different than what they used to be. But *God is the same yesterday, today and forever and changeth not.* He said that He would go with you all the way, even to the end of the world."

"You know, you living over here in a 50,000 dollar home. A brand new automobile in your yard. All of it paid for. Two big freezers and them full of food. 10,000 dollars in the bank. All your bills paid. Would you need the Lord to provide you with something to eat? No. He could take that overnight though. This is where we have come to. And this is the devils work, children of God. He has made everything so convenient for you. How many of you this last week got down on your knees and just thank God, "Oh, God of the abundance that I have, help me to know how to distribute it among people that need it.

Somebody says, "I've got a million dollars and the Lord gave it to me." He didn't do it. He suffered you to have it to your own hurt, no doubt. It's to your own disadvantage. If you got a job, be thankful for it. Next week you may not have one. Godliness with contentment is great gain.... We brought nothing into this world and we take nothing out. Be content with such things as you have.

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Wise men are not always silent, but know when to be.

Br. James A. McLain: "...we were having a good time. We were out together, went by the house. And I mean that girl could play the piano, I mean she could make it walk. In my mother's house, pull down the shades. Doyle didn't have the Holy Ghost, and I did. That girl got to playing that piano, and they got to jitter-bugging. I said, "Wait a minute!" I pulled up the shades and said, "This is a preachers house, and you're getting out of here!" There was no sense in that stuff going on and them girls claiming the Holy Ghost. I said, "This aint right!" I man of God lives here and I aint having it!" I run then out. A fear fell on me.

If you are in your moma and daddy's house behave yourselves. Their children of God and that is a house of God."

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About nine years ago, Sis, Myra and Br. Ed Ledbetter of ~~SMYRNA~~ were about to go their separate ways. She tells how they were way out in the world, especially her. She was real mean. But the Lord gave them both the Holy Ghost. When they started going to church, Ed had only one suit and it had a hole in it, but she had it ready for him. They had two children and they had just a little more clothes. Their car wasn't much. One night after church they found a bundle of clothes in their car and they were so nice. And also some money. Once she didn't have any brakes on her car. She was going down a steep hill and no way to stop, and she was running into a house, but the car stopped inches from the house. And whatever was wrong with the car couldn't be fixed. Got to meeting one night and were glad to see a car with Alabama tags on it. "We've got visitors tonight." But inside there was no visitors. Br. Paul Warren and the church had made up and got them a good car.

They lived in an apartment that flooded and the kids were staying sick. She prayed, not for a better, but a drier place and they got to move into the Space Apartments.

She needed a 100 dollars to pay on utilities, but just couldn't get up the money cutting every corner she could, but was always glad to help others. Was notified that someone had pay the \$100.

Her son Timothy was 12 this year, and she knew young people came to the Lord, but she didn't know about him. During their revival this year, the first night, she noticed a little boy up there with navy and green on which was what her son was wearing, thought it was another boy but found out it was her Timothy. About the time she got over to where he was, he came up with the Holy Ghost, speaking in tongues.

Br. Buford Trotman: " We are headed for the best place man ever thought about. We don't need to let Satan or nobody else hinder us no way. He said; *He that hath this hope in him purifieth himself even as He is pure.* You know what he does? He keeps himslfe out of things, don't he?

To the angel of the church at Sardis... I know thy works... God knows our works, everyone of them, from the day that we got the Holy Ghost until now. He know our works, don't He? We ought to fear God. Be watchful and strengthen that which remains that is ready to die. Can you see it to-day? How that people are in a weak condition? They need strengthening? Looks like this church was a little off on this. They were a little off on watching. Be ye watchful and strengthen that which remain that are ready to die: for I have not found thy works perfect before God.. Now then, nearly every body will say, "Well, I aint perfect!" Well, if you aint, God's got something again you. Did you know that? IF YOU ARE NOT PERFECT, GOD'S GOT SOMETHING AGAINST YOU. These people here looked like they done pretty good and I can read of other churchs in here that beat me all over and He said, "I have some what against you.

Remember therefore hoe thou hast rec'd. In this time we need to be watching. We need to check it out ourselves. We need to see what's going on.

It says, thou hast a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy.

You aint gonna get in there by accident are we?

I've been a carpenter for a long time. When we start a job, the engineer gets in there first and shoot a center line. And everything works off that center line. Everything that goes in there works off the center line. The walls work off the center line. They'll shoot you a little peg or whatever as a center line. Everything goes off your center line. The whole building. Now this is what I get of us watching. If everyone osf us is working of that center line... We have to check the center line every one in awhile to see if everything is all right. T see if it's alright. It could get knocked off a little bit. Some people must have chnaged it. The real center line that we started with. The old land mark. People love to move it a little bit.

I had a brother who was a carpenter and he kinda wanted to do things the easy way. He told me one time he had a form off about 3/4 inch. They couldn't hardly move that thing. He told his buddy, "You want to do this the easy way?" "Yea!" So he goes and

this the easy way?" "Yea!" So he goes and moves the line on them. When the engineer comes, he just checks the line. But God is gonna look at it just like it is. Every hing we have gone is going to be checked. And He'll check the center line to see if you have moved it.

Let's check it out ourselves in what we are doing and what we are believing in. We should make sure it is what we statred with. A lot of us know how we started and we need to keep checking and carrying it along with us.

A lot of things today, sound alright, look alright, but it don't check out. And if it don't check out, it won't pass us, will it? People. let's live for God. Let's really be careful and let's look for ourselves. Don't depend on somebody else. You're just taking their word for it. Let's make sure we are right."

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Br. Bobby Trotman tells of the time his daughter, Sis. Carol, was small. Her arches in her feet had fallen and they she had knots on them. She was prayed for. A brother said he could see the knots going down. That helped Br. Bobby, and when he saw them going down that really healed. She was healed.

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Sis. Odell White said there used to be things that were wrong a long time ago. Now people are doing them. She believed they were wrong then, and that they are still wrong today. That she stayed the way she was. That she could get a prayer thru then, and she could now. Stay that way Sis. Odell. And be sure to pray for me.

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Br. Curtis Mason standing quietly talking, not in a big way. About the people that was there, not a large crowd but the people that were there. Said that if One came they could have meeting, but if that One didn't come, they couldn't have meeting.

Told of all the pleasures he had out in the world. One touch of the Holy Ghost gave him more joy that all of that.

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Early part of the year, Sis. Mary Womack's hands were in bad shape. She was anointed with oil and the Lord healed them

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Sis. Dale Pendergraft of PLEASANT GROVE has ans ear problem that she wants the Lord to heal for her.

These were added to The Church at:

NILA: Fr. Darron Jones

- Br. Bernie Byrum
- Br. Vernon Clark
- Br. Kenneth Hamilton
- Br. Bill Sanford
- Sis. Melissa Brady
- Sis. Wanda Bethune
- Sis. Cheryl Sharp
- Br. Tobie Thomas
- Sis. Theresa Williams
- Br. Mike Trotman
- Sis. Evelyn West
- Br. Ricky McLain
- Br. Eric Avans
- Br. Jay LeHayne

SMYRNA: Br. Charlie Walker

PLEASANT OAK: Sis. Carol Padgett, Sis. Jewlls daughter.

OLD SARDIS:

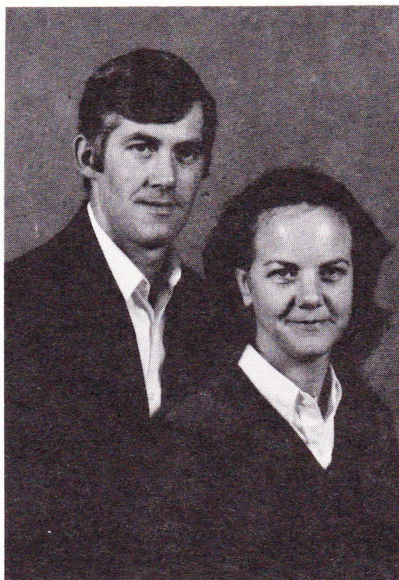
- Br. Jasper Hancock
- Sis. Betty Hamilton
- Sis. Kim Hancock
- Sis. Marie Trotman
- Br. Jeff Trotman
- Br. Donald Harris
- Br. Scottie Hancock
- Sis. Jewell Guffey
- Sis. Teresa Baldwin
- Br. Dennis Lands

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HIGDON:

- Br. Harold Smith's daughter, Sis. Deena.
- Br. Bobby Guffey's daughter, Sis. Gena.
- Br. Alvin McKenzie, Sis. Betty Sue's son.
- Br. Paul Wilson, husband of Sis. Donna, and he is the son of Sis Vicie Wilson.

These four rec'd the Holy Ghost over the 4th week of November with Br, Billy Parker of TIFTONIA being a good help to them.



Br. Paul and Sis. Donna Wilson



B r. James A. McLain baptising Sis. Amy Black who rec'd the Holy Ghost at the LOOK-OUT MTN revival that he and Br. Shirley Byrum helped at last summer. She is Br. Shelton Black's daughter.

At LOOKOUT MTN, Br. Buck Bethune wife, Sis Wanda rec'd the Holy Ghost last fall. One night in January, she kept her husband up with a troubled stomach. She had it before, but not since she was redeemed. At about 4 the next morning some of the saints were called and they had pray The Lord would make his prescence known. This continued off and all day, sometimes with the Lord even "Freeing" some of the saints. That evening she got worse and a number were back in praying. There were about 12 prayers that day. She finally was down in the floor, crying and moaning, vomiting up green bile. Something was swollen in the side of her stomach. Every one was in a wonder why the Lord had not healed but were trying to be patience and all encouraging one another to waith upon the Lord.

Finally about 8 P.M they started the first song of the day, He'll Hold To My Hand, and the Lord got into that song as it got better and better and the love of God just seem to explode and the saints were rejoicing all around and Lo, in the middle was Sis. Wanda praising God. He had healed her and her man, Br. Bucky was shouting and speaking in tongues, his first time since she came to the Lord about 7 years ago.

She is still doing good.

Did you know...?

Halloween is the name given to the eve before All Saints Day. All Saints Day is, of course, a Roman Catholic religious observance. From the dark ages, the eve of that day was looked upon as a time for the worship of Satan and demons by those who, rejecting Christianity, sought to create a satanic opposite for every Christian observance. Halloween, then, is a satanic holiday. It is as satanic as the so-called black mass, or as the practice of witchcraft.

That the satanic origins of Halloween continue to dominate its observance today is very plain. The standard symbols of the observance of Halloween are witches, goblins, skeletons and the like. The apparently harmless lighted pumpkin face or "Jack-O-Lantern" is an ancient symbol of a damned soul. The name is derived from that of an evil fellow named Jack who, denied entrance to both heaven and hell, was doomed to wander in the darkness, his way lit by the glow of a coal from the fires of hell held in a hollowed gourd. What a dreadful toy for the children or decoration for the home! When Christians permit their children to celebrate the Halloween holiday, they are permitting them to engage in the remnants of a satanic holiday. Halloween is, in reality, degenerated Satan worship.

Scripture, in the 18th chapter of the book of Deuteronomy, very explicitly forbids Christians to have anything to do with witchcraft, spiritism or the demonic. In verse 10 of that chapter we read: "There shall not be found among you anyone that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire (this has reference to the worship of the pagan god Moloch through child sacrifice), or that useth divination (divining rods and "witching" sticks), or an observer of times (astrology), or an enchanter, or a witch (medium), or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer. For all that do these things are an abomination unto the Lord..." The term *witch* has reference to mediums who think they can bring up demons impersonating the dead. A "familiar spirit" is a demon who seems to be at the disposal of a medium but who, in fact, deceives and controls the medium. "Necromancy" has to do with those who in one form or another seek to find information for the present by consulting with the dead. It is obvious that the elements of the Halloween observance with its emphasis upon goblins and demons, witches and skeletons, ghosts and apparitions rising from cemeteries, constitute a dabbling with the very things which Scripture forbids to God's people, and an open invitation to demonic activity.

Some of the saints are rejoicing in the way the Lord is helping on Lookout Mtn. Br. Elton Brazier was helping at WEST BROW for a week in October. This was the first church on the upper end of the mtn. The people from LKT. MTN (Griffen) were present. The next week he helped at LKT MTN with the saints at WEST BROW present and helping. *Blessd are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God.* The seed was sown and people started believing into the Lord and receiving the Holy Ghost. Thank God!

Br. Wesley Evitt of ELKWOOD had a heart attack this past year. He is doing better.

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These rec'd the Holy Ghost at
IDER: Sis. Sherry Freeman, Sis. Clenda Freeman; Sis. Karen Holley; Sis. Annette Michals; Sis Doris Pruitt; Br. Benny Freeman; Sis Harriet Beasley; Sis. Danielle Robinson; Sis. Debbie Gilbert; Sis. Janice Gilbert; Sis. Denise Miolen; and Sis. Ginger Williams.

Killings And Hardsells

Someone has added up the cumulative total of those long hours most American children spend in front of the television set. It amounts to a gruesome total of killings and commercials.

According to an article in the *Journal of the American Medical Association*, most families have the TV on at least seven hours a day.

At that rate, by the age of 18 most youngsters will have watched 20,000 hours of television.

During that time, they will have

consumed 13,000 killings and 350,000 commercials.

Dr. Edward Collins, a Rhode Island physician, also notes, "While television characters move and speak, the complexity of their character development is much less than that of the real world. Also, because of the restraints of time, television often deals with the alternatives rather than a continuum of life."

It's an unreal, shallow, violence-filled, consumption-oriented world for those youngsters who seldom venture away from the TV set.

This article appeared in the Chattanooga News Free Press. It paints a bad picture of television. In the late 1950's Br. Willis Brown painted even a worse picture about them to the children of God. He was on the floor at OAK GROVE proving by the Word of God that they were, "The lust of the eye." He and all the oldtime preachers who earnestly contended for the faith preached against them publicly. They are so much more worse being filled with the works of the flesh, I wonder what they would do and say today???

This also taken from a newspaper:

We desperately need a genuine revival of spiritual righteousness in our land. America needs the healing touch of God because of her sins. **Legalized abortion** has claimed the lives of 15 million babies since the 1973 Supreme Court decision. The multibillion-dollar **pornography** industry is demeaning our women and destroying our children. **Secular Humanism** attempts to elevate man to a place where he has no need of God. **Disallowing prayer** in our public schools has cut our children off from the right to voluntarily pray to God during school hours. **Infanticide** and **euthanasia** are threatening both our children and our aged. The **drug epidemic** is sweeping our country and perverting our young people. **Homosexuality** is spreading everywhere, claiming our youth as its victims. The nearly 50 percent **divorce rate** threatens the very stability of our monogamous culture. America is in trouble and only God can save her.

Chorus of a song:

To much thunder, not enough rain.
To may programs, not enough praying.
To may people, doing their own thing.
To much thunder, not enough rain.
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Sis. Joan Veal of WEST BROW was very sick with those bad headaches, even her body was drawing. A few of the saints from this area acme in and also the Lord. When the saints left, they were glad for the Lord HEALING Sis. Joan. (9/17/84)

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THE WAY OF THE FLESH VERSUS THE WAY OF GOD:

Man says: "Let the children do their thing now, when they come to God they won't want to do it then."

God says: "*Fathers provoke not your children to ~~but~~ taking them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.*"

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Sickness is stalking the land and it's is also among the saints.

Sis. Bertha Sampson and Br. Danny Johnson of Rocky Branch are ill.

Sis. Lena Sanders of NILA is still in a critical shape.

Sis. Vicie Cain or PLEASANT GROVE is ailing and Br. Leonard West of here is still sick. Br. Billy and Sis. Joan West also need healing.

At HIGDON, Sis. Tibbs Whitley and Sis Ester Carrol are ailing. Also Br. Walter and Sis. Mary Lee Higdon.

At Old Sardis, Br. Herman Womack still has his face cancer. It gets worse, he trusts the Lord more. Also Br. Autman Tilley's wife is ailing.

Br. Duke Cowan is still have much trouble with his leg.

Br. Jack Denson still has heart trouble.

Br. Wayne Williams of SOUTH HAVEN is still in Bad shape with crippling arthritis.

Br. Floyd Williams has had a bad time for the last few months with his body, but he is doing some better.

Br. Hodges and Sis. Amy are still staying in, Br. Hodges keeps to the bed. He is at his daughters, Sis. "Tiny" at Whitesides Ga.

Br. Betty McAllister is still in bad shape.

Sis Lera Golden of HYTOP has been ailing.

Br. Clinton and Sis Carol Knight of SMYRNA have a two year 9ld son, James, who has leukemia.

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Death is not extinguishing the light; It is putting out the lamp because the dawn has come.

Over the holidays, Sis. Lona Spurgeon (Br. Will Guffeys dau.) brought back fond memories to many as she retold how the old ones used to use the holiday time to have meetings instead of plays and parties and such. And usually the Lord gave the good Holy Ghost too. Brethern, we have slipped back some, aint we?

Br. John Pendergrass's wife, Sis. Barbara needs healing. She had rec'd help from the Lord before and thought she was healed. We know that this is discouraging, so ya'll please pray for her.

Last year, Sis. Mary Jo Lackey of OAK GROVE was hurt bad in a car wreck.

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Once Br. Leonard Cooper had a little son who couldn't walk. When he would try, his feet would break out sore. At a meeting he was already fretful and crying and Br. Leonard took him outside. Someone came out and ask why he didn't get him prayed for. That suited Br. Leonard, so back in they went. During prayer an old man in overall jumper got out of his pocket a bottle of oil and said, "Lord, you told me to do this, now I'm expecting you to do this," as he anointed the feet of the boy. The child's feet peeled off and that was the end of the problem.

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He has a mind and knows it; He has a will and shows it; He sees His Way, and goes it; He draws a line and toes it; He has a charge and takes it; A friendly hand and shakes it; A rule and never breaks it; If there's not time, he makes it; He loves the truth, stands by it; Nor never tries to shy it; Whoever may defy it; Or openly deny it; He hears a lie and slays it; And as I've heard him praise it; He knows the game and plays it; He sees the path Christ trod; And grips the hand of God: A Christian.

Br. Oran Whitley came up out of the floor at HIGDON in the fear of God, telling the church, (there wern't many out) "If you want this house full, you have some sort of get together and leave meeting out of it. This house will jam full." He went into the phone being used, "So much talking, yakking, talking stuff that ought not to be talked." Told them, "You have hurt feelings, and you don't fix them, you just pick up the corner of the rug and rake them under it and lay the rug back down and go right on and shout over the top of it!" And, "People here are going to let "Hurt feelings", send them to torment." It was old time holiness being taught.

Sis. Wanda Griffen: "I was not raised in Holiness. My family thought I was happy, but they didn't know my heart. My life was almost ruined.

When the Lord drew me and forgave me of my sins, I told my husband and he wouldn't believe me. I thought at the time he would. I didn't realize my eyes had been opened and his were not. I wanted my family to know that the Holy Ghost was real. He put me out of the house with my clothes. My two boys wouldn't have anything to do with me. But the Lord made a way for me to come back home.

It wasn't easy for two and a half years, but one day when I couldn't see a way for me to even go to church, The Lord made a way.

I had mowed the yard and prayed and I sat on the porch steps. My husband was in the yard as I thought "Lord, I don't see a way I can ever go to church, and I can't ask Jim anymore." And then Jim looked at me and asked me if I was going to church? I didn't know what to say, but I got up and went.

It was the first time I went to PLEASANT OAK. I rec'd the Holy Ghost on June 29, 1983.

The Lord changed my husband, he lets me go to church now and things are better. I'm so glad that God knows everything.

I have a son "Rusty" age 17 that's is on drugs. He has been since he was 13. He has gotten into trouble with the law and is in Biringham (school for boys). Please pray for him."

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Br. Buford Trotman: "You can't get by without the Word of God. If it says for you to do something, you might as well do it, if you want to get to heaven. If It says not do it, you might as well not do it!

Now, the very least commandment in that bible is useful. It is very important we keep the commandments of God. God has never let a transgressor get by. Now, if were one we're going to go to hell, sure as the world.

If someones says, "The Lord's coming!" There wouldn't be a fear come in your heart. There would be a joy come there, wouldn't it? Why? You knowed you done your very best to do what He said do. You done your very best to not do what He said not do.

32.000 started (talking of Gedeion s army) but 300 went to battle and won by obeying the man of God. How many among us today are going to get to meet the Lord in the air?

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Prayer is not overcoming God's reluctance; It is laying hold on His willingness.

Whose birthday is it, anyway?



A local church had this written in the Chattanooga paper with;..."believes the important news at Christmas is not who comes down the chimney, but who came down from heaven..."

How true this is. There was a time when we Holiness people didn't go along with Santa and all his trapping, the old ones preaching to us that it was a lie, but today he can be seen even in our churches.

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Br. Denny Moore: "I've always been concerned about ,The Law, and, Grace. There's a whole lot that I don't understand. I've studied and prayed and still don't understand. But I do understand that by grace the Holy Ghost was given to us.

Here awhile back, on my way from work, I believe with all my heart that God spoke to me. I heard it in an audible voice. He said,"There is one main difference between the Law and Grace. Under the law when they committed sin, the people stoned them. Now then, you are under grace, and everybody answers to me!"

He's is going to be the one who says, "Depart," or, "Come in!"

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Once upon a time there was a teacher who didn't want an increase in pay; a carpenter who didn't ask for union wages; a man who healed the sick and afflicted whether they had insurance, or medicare, or whether they didn't. He fed thousands free...

AND THEY CRUCIFIED HIM.

They passed this way...

Sis. Rena Nadrotowski of BLACK OAK went to sleep in Christ in her 48th year on August 29, 1984. She was the first person to rec' the Holy Ghost at the SOUTH HAVEN church about 16 years ago. She was the daughter of Sis. Mamie Miller of NILA

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Sis. Josie Patterson was called to that long home December 24, 1983. She was born in 1902 and rec'd the Holy Ghost in Cloud's Cove and as far as is known, she is the last of the people who came to the Lord in this Cove near Hobbs Island Alabama.

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Br. Floyd Wright of SKYLINE passed over in his 80th year on August 7, 1984. He came to the Lord in Crabtree's Cove 64 years ago, He was the dad of Br. Vernon Wright.

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Br. Shelley and Sis. Era Summerford

Br. Shelley Summerford finished his course on October 19th, 1984 in his 77th year. He came to the Lord at or near the ROCK HOUSE over 60 years ago.

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Br. Junior Morris went to sleep in Christ on December 7, 1984 in his 61st year. He rec'd the Holy Ghost about 40 years ago in Crabtrees Cove. He lived at SKYLINE.

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Br. Charley Sanders got to go home in October, 1984. He rec'd the Holy Ghost just 16 months before he left us, in 1983 at WILLIAMS COVE. He was 77 years old.

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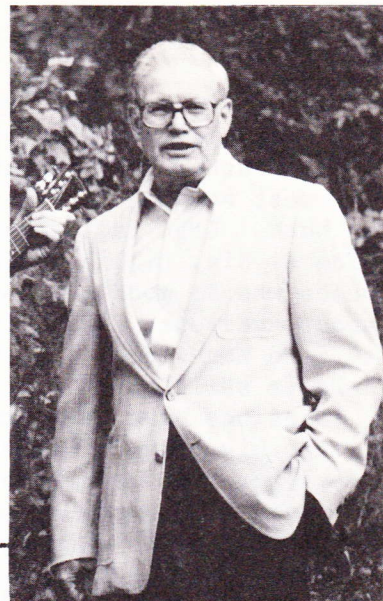
Br. Pope Vandiver finally got his heart's desire. He went into that good land on December 19, 1984 in his 83rd year. He'd been on his pilgrimage for 45 years, having rec'd the Holy Ghost in WILLIAMS COVE in 1939.

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Br. Thomas Kerley left us in peace in his 69th year on January 19, 1985. He rec'd the Holy Ghost on BEIRNES AVE in Huntsville 52 years ago. He was from PLEASANT GROVE and worked in the ministry at many different places.

He will be missed very much.

Br. Tom Kerley -----



Sis. Essie Thompson of SCOTTSBORO was called home in her 82nd year on November 6 1984. She was born again at HYTOP 52 years ago under the preaching of Br. Courtney Thackerson. She was Br. Charlie Brown's mother-in-law.

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Sis. Lora Knight with her mother, Sis. Delia Key.

Sis. Lora Knight was called away in her 48th year on December 9 1984. She rec'd the Holy Ghost 13 years ago at TIFTOINA.

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Sis. Millie Ruth Davis died in the faith in her 68th year on November 20th, 1984. She rec'd the Holy Ghost at Jefferson Park near Birmingham over 50 years ago. She was the wife of Br. Dilmas Davis of GADSDEN.

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Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.

TEXAS...

Some of the saints are still making treks to Texas every few months, mostly to the Dallas-Fort Worth area and occasainally to the west at Ranger. They've had good meetings at both. Last fall they had a wonderful service at Sis. Lillie Sanders at Ranger. The peace was so good here and the Lord blessed about everyone. Sis. Lillie has moved back to Sand Mtn since. Her daughter Sis. Mary Jane is still there.

Meetings have been from fair to very good in the big city. They are having meeting now every week in Grand Pararie which is part of the Fort Worth and Dallas area. Some very good meetings in January. New people coming to the meeting and some going to the altar. One women by the name of Janet was so close to the Lord that she spoke in tongues but couldn't hardly believe it. After the three car loads of saints from the east left and about mid-night, she got Sis. Addie Cadorette and Sis. Virginia Hall to pray with her again and she believed the Lord and came up with the good Holy Ghost. And was she every happy and it so encouraged these sisters in the Lord.

About every two months a group of saints from the east gang up and go out to help. Usually it's on the 2nd Sunday weekend. Any one wanting to go and help, contact us here at Glad Tidings. The first week in April they are having a weeks revival. We hope by then a number more have already rec'd the Holy Ghost.

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"One of the delights of childhood is flying a kite. What happy carefree hours are enjoyed with that soaring bird tugging on the string anchored to a finger. But if the kite could have talked, it might have reasoned to itself so something like this: "Look how high I'm flying and how gracefully I'm float-ing thru the sky. And I'm doing all this

dispite that aggravating boy down there hanging onto the end of the string. I don't need that. Look I have a tail and broad wings, but that pesky kid is hanging onto that cord as if he expects me to lift him into the wind. Why, if I didn't have that handicap I could fly up and reach the moon! If only I were not tied down in this irritating way."

Oh, but the child got distracted and let go of the string. The kite just came down a wobbling and became tangled in a brach of a tree. Reckon what it would have said if it could:"Well, well, the very thing I thought was keeping me down was keeping me up!"

What keeps US humble? Our up lifts or our down pulls?

From The Editor's desk:

We have now started our 13th year of putting out Glad Tidings.

We appreciate all the good help that we have rec'd from so many. We just don't have the time to answer all the mail. But we use what we can and all is kept on File in case we make and error.

We know that many who have been on the mailing list have moved and some are not getting Glad Tidings. Just let us know your new address if you still want it sent.

This paper does not suit all, and if you want your name taken of the mailing list, just let us know. If any want to start getting it, just let us know.

We are not under any obilgation to anyone, so we put this paper out when we can, and use who we will, knowing that whatsoever we do we will have to answer to the Lord, whether it be good or evil.

We don't believe like and agree with many but one thing we have been taught of God and that is for us to love everybody, especially the Lord's people.

Pray for us.
Bryant Finlayson

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